

Aston Hill Growth & Income Fund

Management Report of Fund Performance

December 31, 2015

This annual management report of fund performance for Aston Hill Growth & Income Fund (the “Fund”) contains financial highlights but does not contain the audited annual financial statements of the Fund. You may obtain a copy of the annual financial statements, at no cost, by calling 1-800-513-3868 or by sending a request to Investor Relations, Aston Hill Asset Management Inc., 77 King Street West, Suite 2110, P.O. Box 92, Toronto-Dominion Centre, Toronto, Ontario, M5K 1G8, or by visiting our website at www.astonhill.ca or SEDAR at www.sedar.com. Unitholders may also contact us by using one of these methods to request a copy of the Fund’s proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure record, or quarterly portfolio disclosure.

THE FUND

Aston Hill Growth & Income Fund is a mutual fund that is managed by Aston Hill Asset Management Inc. (the “Manager”). The Fund has Series X, Series A, Series F, Series I, Series UA and Series UF units outstanding. The Fund’s portfolio is actively managed by the Manager. The Fund is RRSP, RRIF and TFSA eligible.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIES

The Fund’s investment objectives are to pay unitholders monthly cash distributions and to preserve the Net Asset Value per unit by investing primarily in equity and debt securities of issuers located in Canada and around the world. The Fund may invest in Canadian income funds, convertible bonds, debentures, high-yield debt instruments, listed equity securities, and cash or cash equivalents and may also invest in any other yield-based security or asset class that develops over time.

RISKS

Risks associated with an investment in the units of the Fund are discussed in the Fund’s prospectus, which is available on the Fund’s website at www.astonhill.ca or on SEDAR at www.sedar.com. There were no changes to the Fund over the year ended December 31, 2015 which materially affected the risks associated with an investment in the units of the Fund.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Commencement of operations of Series UA units of the Fund was on May 6, 2014, and of Series UF units of the Fund was on July 15, 2014, so there are no full prior period comparisons for these series.

Distributions

For the year ended December 31, 2015, distributions were \$0.36 per Series X unit (\$0.36 in 2014), \$0.36 per Series A unit (\$0.36 in 2014), \$0.36 per Series F unit (\$0.36 in 2014), \$0.36 per Series I unit (\$0.36 in 2014), U.S. \$0.36 per Series UA unit (U.S. \$0.24 in 2014) and U.S. \$0.36 per Series UF unit (U.S. \$0.18 in 2014).

Distributions since inception were \$5.04 per Series X unit, \$2.96 per Series A unit, \$2.72 per Series F unit, \$1.12 per Series I unit, U.S. \$0.60 per Series UA unit and U.S. \$0.54 per Series UF unit.

Changes in Net Assets from Operations

For the year ended December 31, 2015, the Fund's total revenue was \$0.29 per Series X unit (\$0.33 for the year ended December 31, 2014), \$0.29 per Series A unit (\$0.33 for the year ended December 31, 2014), \$0.31 per Series F unit (\$0.36 for the year ended December 31, 2014), \$0.57 per Series I unit (\$0.62 for the year ended December 31, 2014), U.S. \$0.38 per Series UA unit (U.S. \$0.28 for the period ended December 31, 2014) and U.S. \$0.41 per Series UF unit (U.S. \$0.19 for the period ended December 31, 2014).

Total expenses per unit for the year ended December 31, 2015 were \$0.10 per Series X unit (\$0.09 for the year ended December 31, 2014), \$0.20 per Series A unit (\$0.20 for the year ended December 31, 2014), \$0.12 per Series F unit (\$0.11 for the year ended December 31, 2014), \$0.06 per Series I unit (\$0.05 for the year ended December 31, 2014), U.S. \$0.27 per Series UA unit (U.S. \$0.18 for the period ended December 31, 2014) and U.S. \$0.05 per Series UF unit (U.S. \$0.07 for the period ended December 31, 2014).

Subscriptions and Reinvestment

The Fund's units may be subscribed and reinvested on a daily basis at a price equivalent to Net Asset Value per unit, as calculated on a daily basis. For the year ended December 31, 2015, the Fund received subscriptions of nil Series X units (nil in 2014), 2,329,886 Series A units (15,102,429 in 2014), 3,482,221 Series F units (6,952,364 in 2014), 186,865 Series I units (1,189,428 in 2014), 3,858 Series UA units (42,669 in 2014) and 6,276 Series UF units (30,588 in 2014). Also during the year, 11,459 units were reinvested for Series X (11,534 in 2014), 892,283 units were reinvested for Series A (986,267 in 2014), 215,728 units were reinvested for Series F (210,608 in 2014), 42,895 units were reinvested for Series I (55,612 in 2014), 977 units were reinvested for Series UA (282 in 2014) and 274 units were reinvested for Series UF (231 in 2014).

Redemptions

The Fund's units are redeemable on a daily basis at a redemption price equivalent to Net Asset Value per unit, as calculated on a daily basis. For the year ended December 31, 2015, 348,074 Series X units (290,771 in 2014), 14,728,730 Series A units (7,624,647 in 2014), 4,348,268 Series F units (1,494,017 in 2014), 1,479,640 Series I units (326,615 in 2014), 12,620 Series UA units (1,970 in 2014) and 30,321 Series UF units (1,629 in 2014) were redeemed.

Net Asset Value

As at December 31, 2015, the Net Asset Value per unit of the Fund was \$6.69 per Series X unit (\$7.22 at December 31, 2014), \$6.67 per Series A unit (\$7.30 at December 31, 2014), \$7.35 per Series F unit (\$7.91 at December 31, 2014), \$13.38 per Series I unit (\$13.97 at December 31, 2014), U.S. \$8.89 per Series UA unit (U.S. \$9.69 at December 31, 2014) and U.S. \$8.84 per Series UF unit (U.S. \$9.53 at December 31, 2014). The aggregate Net Asset Value of the Fund as at December 31, 2015 was \$226.3 million (\$354.7 million at December 31, 2014), comprised of \$9.5 million for Series X units (\$12.7 million at December 31, 2014); \$137.9 million per Series A unit (\$234.8 million at December 31, 2014); \$61.7 million per Series F unit (\$71.6 million at December 31, 2014); \$16.7 million per Series I unit (\$34.9 million at December 31, 2014); U.S. \$0.3 million per Series UA unit (U.S. \$0.4 million at December 31, 2014) and U.S. \$0.05 million per Series UF unit (U.S. \$0.3 million at December 31, 2014).

Investment Portfolio

As of December 31, 2015, the Fund's portfolio included a total of 81 securities of corporate issuers (132 at the 2014 year-end). A detailed listing of the Fund's security holdings is provided in the financial statements. Please see the Portfolio Manager's Report for information on performance and changes to the Fund's portfolio in the year ended December 31, 2015.

The Fund's portfolio recorded net losses (realized and unrealized) of \$11.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. (Net gains of \$2.7 million in 2014)

The Fund hedges its foreign exchange exposure using foreign currency forward contracts. As at December 31, 2015, the Fund had foreign currency forward contracts for -U.S. \$79.9 million and -GBP 0.53 million outstanding.

Liquidity

To provide liquidity for unitholders, units of the Fund may be subscribed and redeemed on a daily basis, at prices equivalent to Net Asset Value per unit, as calculated on a daily basis.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Related party transactions consist of services provided by the Manager pursuant to a management agreement. See the Management Fees section below.

MANAGEMENT FEES

Aston Hill Asset Management Inc. is the Manager and Trustee of the Fund. Pursuant to the management agreement between the Fund and the Manager, the Manager is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Fund, and in return, the Fund pays the Manager Management fees.

The Fund pays the Manager management fees of up to 2% and 1% per annum respectively of the Net Asset Value for Series A and Series F, calculated daily and paid monthly in arrears, plus applicable taxes. The management fee rate for Series UA is 2% per annum. No management fees are charged to the funds for Series I units. Instead, each investor negotiates a separate fee which is payable directly to the Manager.

Out of the management fees of Series A and Series UA, the Manager is required to pay financial advisors a service fee for ongoing services they provide to investors. The service fee is calculated monthly and payable monthly, based on the total client assets invested in Series A units of the Fund held by all of a financial advisor's clients throughout the month. The annual rate of the service fee depends on the purchase option chosen by the investor. For Series A units purchased under the initial sales charge option, the annual rate is a maximum of 1%, and for Series A units purchased under the low-load, deferred sales charge option, the annual rate is a maximum of 0.5%. The service fee for low-load, deferred sales charge units or shares changes to the initial sales charge service fee annual rate on the third anniversary of the investment. The annual rate is a maximum of 1% for Series UA. The Manager may change or cancel service fees at any time. There are no service fees on Series F of the Fund.

The management fee for Series X is 0.75% per annum of the Net Asset Value for Series X, calculated daily and paid monthly in arrears, plus applicable taxes. The Manager pays 0.30% per annum of the Series X management fees to the investment dealers in proportion to the number of units held by clients of each dealer at the end of each calendar month.

For the year ended December 31, 2015, management fees amounted to \$4.9 million (\$5.5 million in 2014).

Administration Fees

The Manager allocates back to the Fund a portion of the base salaries of individuals who have spent time working on matters and overhead expenses relating to the operations of the Fund. The expenses are directly attributable to the Fund as they relate to time spent on Fund accounting, valuation, taxation, compliance, investor relations, financial and unitholder reporting, cost management, oversight and any other operations matter. For the year ended December 31, 2015, administration fees amounted to \$248,508 (\$116,596 in 2014).

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help readers understand the Fund's financial performance for the fiscal periods indicated. *The information in the following tables is presented in accordance with National Instrument ("NI") 81-106 and, as a result, does not act as a continuity of opening and closing Net Assets per unit.*

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾

Series X

For the Year Ended December 31	2015 CAD	2014 ⁽⁴⁾ CAD	2013 ⁽⁴⁾ CAD	2012 CAD	2011 CAD
Net Assets, beginning of year⁽²⁾	\$ 7.22	\$ 7.22	\$ 6.34	\$ 5.73	\$ 5.90
Increase (decrease) from operations:⁽³⁾					
Total revenue	0.29	0.33	0.32	0.33	0.31
Total expenses	(0.10)	(0.09)	(0.09)	(0.08)	(0.14)
Realized gain (loss) for the year	0.06	0.16	0.40	0.18	0.56
Unrealized gain (loss) for the year	(0.37)	(0.02)	0.59	0.53	(0.51)
Total increase (decrease) in Net Assets from operations	\$ (0.12)	\$ 0.38	\$ 1.22	\$ 0.96	\$ 0.22
Distributions to unitholders:⁽²⁾					
From income	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.19)	\$ (0.13)	\$ (0.15)	\$ (0.15)
From dividends	—	(0.04)	(0.06)	(0.05)	(0.11)
Return of capital	—	(0.13)	(0.17)	(0.16)	(0.22)
Total distributions to unitholders	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.48)
Net Assets, end of year⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾	\$ 6.69	\$ 7.22	\$ 7.22	\$ 6.34	\$ 5.73

Series A

For the Year Ended December 31	2015 CAD	2014 ⁽⁴⁾ CAD	2013 ⁽⁴⁾ CAD	2012 CAD	2011 CAD
Net Assets, beginning of year⁽²⁾	\$ 7.30	\$ 7.39	\$ 6.57	\$ 5.99	\$ 6.21
Increase (decrease) from operations:⁽³⁾					
Total revenue	0.29	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.33
Total expenses	(0.20)	(0.20)	(0.19)	(0.15)	(0.19)
Realized gain (loss) for the year	0.09	0.18	0.41	0.20	(0.22)
Unrealized gain (loss) for the year	(0.34)	(0.08)	0.68	0.43	(0.15)
Total increase (decrease) in Net Assets from operations	\$ (0.16)	\$ 0.23	\$ 1.23	\$ 0.82	\$ (0.23)
Distributions to unitholders:⁽²⁾					
From income	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.19)	\$ (0.13)	\$ (0.15)	\$ (0.15)
From dividends	—	(0.04)	(0.06)	(0.05)	(0.11)
Return of capital	—	(0.13)	(0.17)	(0.16)	(0.22)
Total distributions to unitholders	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.48)
Net Assets, end of year⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾	\$ 6.67	\$ 7.30	\$ 7.39	\$ 6.57	\$ 5.99

⁽¹⁾ This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.

⁽²⁾ Net Assets per unit and distributions per unit are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time.

⁽³⁾ The increase (decrease) in Net Assets from operations per unit is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the fiscal period.

⁽⁴⁾ The Fund adopted International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") commencing January 1, 2014. This information for the period up to December 31, 2012 is presented under Canadian GAAP.

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾ (continued)

Series F

For the Year Ended December 31	2015 CAD	2014 ⁽⁵⁾ CAD	2013 ⁽⁵⁾ CAD	2012 CAD	2011 CAD
Net Assets, beginning of year ⁽³⁾	\$ 7.91	\$ 7.90	\$ 6.93	\$ 6.23	\$ 6.43
Increase (decrease) from operations:⁽⁴⁾					
Total revenue	0.31	0.36	0.35	0.36	0.34
Total expenses	(0.12)	(0.11)	(0.12)	(0.09)	(0.15)
Realized gain (loss) for the year	0.03	0.16	0.44	0.21	(0.28)
Unrealized gain (loss) for the year	(0.41)	(0.25)	0.72	0.46	(0.21)
Total increase (decrease) in Net Assets from operations	\$ (0.19)	\$ 0.16	\$ 1.39	\$ 0.94	\$ (0.30)
Distributions to unitholders:⁽³⁾					
From income	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.19)	\$ (0.13)	\$ (0.15)	\$ (0.15)
From dividends	—	(0.04)	(0.06)	(0.05)	(0.11)
Return of capital	—	(0.13)	(0.17)	(0.16)	(0.22)
Total distributions to unitholders	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.48)
Net Assets, end of year ⁽³⁾⁽⁵⁾	\$ 7.35	\$ 7.91	\$ 7.90	\$ 6.93	\$ 6.23

Series I

For the Year/Period Ended December 31	2015 CAD	2014 ⁽⁵⁾ CAD	2013 ⁽⁵⁾ CAD	2012 CAD	2011 ⁽²⁾ CAD
Net Assets, beginning of year/period ⁽³⁾	\$ 13.97	\$ 13.54	\$ 11.52	\$ 10.07	\$ 10.00
Increase (decrease) from operations:⁽⁴⁾					
Total revenue	0.57	0.62	0.59	0.58	0.05
Total expenses	(0.06)	(0.05)	(0.06)	(0.07)	(0.01)
Realized gain (loss) for the year/period	0.01	0.31	0.72	0.37	0.01
Unrealized gain (loss) for the year/period	(0.54)	(0.27)	1.16	0.75	0.07
Total increase (decrease) in Net Assets from operations	\$ (0.02)	\$ 0.61	\$ 2.41	\$ 1.63	\$ 0.12
Distributions to unitholders:⁽³⁾					
From income	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.19)	\$ (0.13)	\$ (0.15)	\$ (0.01)
From dividends	—	(0.04)	(0.06)	(0.05)	(0.01)
Return of capital	—	(0.13)	(0.17)	(0.16)	(0.02)
Total distributions to unitholders	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.04)
Net Assets, end of year/period ⁽³⁾⁽⁵⁾	\$ 13.38	\$ 13.97	\$ 13.54	\$ 11.52	\$ 10.07

⁽¹⁾ This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.

⁽²⁾ For Series I, period from inception date of August 11, 2011 to December 31, 2011. For Series UA, period from inception date of May 6, 2014 to December 31, 2014. For Series UF, period from commencement of operations on July 15, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

⁽³⁾ Net Assets per unit and distributions per unit are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time.

⁽⁴⁾ The increase (decrease) in Net Assets from operations per unit is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the fiscal period.

⁽⁵⁾ The Fund adopted International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") commencing January 1, 2014. This information for the period up to December 31, 2012 is presented under Canadian GAAP.

Net Assets per Unit⁽¹⁾ (continued)

Series UA

For the Period Ended December 31	2015 USD	2014 ⁽²⁾⁽⁵⁾ USD
Net Assets, beginning of year/period ⁽³⁾	\$ 9.69	\$ 10.00
Increase (decrease) from operations: ⁽⁴⁾		
Total revenue	0.38	0.28
Total expenses	(0.27)	(0.18)
Realized gain (loss) for the year/period	2.74	0.49
Unrealized gain (loss) for the year/period	(1.46)	(0.07)
Total increase (decrease) in Net Assets from operations	\$ 1.39	\$ 0.52
Distributions to unitholders: ⁽³⁾		
From income	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.14)
From dividends	—	(0.03)
Return of capital	—	(0.07)
Total distributions to unitholders	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.24)
Net Assets, end of year/period⁽³⁾	\$ 8.89	\$ 9.69

Series UF

For the Period Ended December 31	2015 USD	2014 ⁽²⁾⁽⁵⁾ USD
Net Assets, beginning of year/period ⁽³⁾	\$ 9.53	\$ 10.00
Increase (decrease) from operations: ⁽⁴⁾		
Total revenue	0.41	0.19
Total expenses	(0.05)	(0.07)
Realized gain (loss) for the year/period	2.97	0.38
Unrealized gain (loss) for the year/period	(0.61)	0.15
Total increase (decrease) in Net Assets from operations	\$ 2.72	\$ 0.65
Distributions to unitholders: ⁽³⁾		
From income	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.12)
From dividends	—	(0.02)
Return of capital	—	(0.05)
Total distributions to unitholders	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.19)
Net Assets, end of year/period⁽³⁾	\$ 8.84	\$ 9.53

⁽¹⁾ This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.

⁽²⁾ For Series I, period from inception date of August 11, 2011 to December 31, 2011. For Series UA, period from inception date of May 6, 2014 to December 31, 2014. For Series UF, period from commencement of operations on July 15, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

⁽³⁾ Net Assets per unit and distributions per unit are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time.

⁽⁴⁾ The increase (decrease) in Net Assets from operations per unit is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the fiscal period.

⁽⁵⁾ The Fund adopted International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") commencing January 1, 2014. This information for the period up to December 31, 2012 is presented under Canadian GAAP.

Ratios and Supplemental Data (Based on Net Asset Value)**Series X**

As at December 31	2015 CAD	2014 CAD	2013 CAD	2012 CAD	2011 CAD
Net Asset Value (in 000s)	\$ 9,504	\$ 12,685	\$ 14,706	\$ 15,918	\$ 17,233
Number of units outstanding (in 000s)	1,421	1,758	2,037	2,511	2,998
Base management expense ratio ⁽¹⁾⁽⁵⁾	1.01%	0.96%	1.14%	—	—
Management expense ratio (“MER”) ⁽²⁾	1.13%	1.07%	1.26%	1.33%	1.87%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions	1.13%	1.07%	1.26%	1.33%	1.87%
Trading expense ratio ⁽³⁾	0.26%	0.16%	0.16%	0.21%	0.51%
Portfolio turnover rate ⁽⁴⁾	201.78%	134.09%	139.41%	190.87%	437.49%
Net Asset Value per unit	\$ 6.69	\$ 7.22	\$ 7.22	\$ 6.34	\$ 5.75

Series A

As at December 31	2015 CAD	2014 CAD	2013 CAD	2012 CAD	2011 CAD
Net Asset Value (in 000s)	\$ 137,947	\$ 234,830	\$ 175,342	\$ 82,424	\$ 15,872
Number of units outstanding (in 000s)	20,675	32,182	23,718	12,541	2,641
Base management expense ratio ⁽¹⁾⁽⁵⁾	2.26%	2.08%	2.27%	—	—
Management expense ratio (“MER”) ⁽²⁾	2.49%	2.32%	2.54%	2.30%	2.49%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions	2.49%	2.35%	2.54%	2.70%	3.10%
Trading expense ratio ⁽³⁾	0.26%	0.16%	0.16%	0.21%	0.51%
Portfolio turnover rate ⁽⁴⁾	201.78%	134.09%	139.41%	190.87%	437.49%
Net Asset Value per unit	\$ 6.67	\$ 7.30	\$ 7.39	\$ 6.57	\$ 6.01

Series F

As at December 31	2015 CAD	2014 CAD	2013 CAD	2012 CAD	2011 CAD
Net Asset Value (in 000s)	\$ 61,670	\$ 71,566	\$ 26,666	\$ 11,017	\$ 3,420
Number of units outstanding (in 000s)	8,392	9,043	3,374	1,590	547
Base management expense ratio ⁽¹⁾⁽⁵⁾	1.27%	1.10%	1.31%	—	—
Management expense ratio (“MER”) ⁽²⁾	1.39%	1.22%	1.45%	1.37%	1.85%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions	1.39%	1.22%	1.45%	1.67%	1.85%
Trading expense ratio ⁽³⁾	0.26%	0.16%	0.16%	0.21%	0.51%
Portfolio turnover rate ⁽⁴⁾	201.78%	134.09%	139.41%	190.87%	437.49%
Net Asset Value per unit	\$ 7.35	\$ 7.91	\$ 7.90	\$ 6.93	\$ 6.25

⁽¹⁾ A separate base management expense ratio is presented to exclude the HST.

⁽²⁾ MER is based on the requirements of NI 81-106 and is the total expenses (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) of the Fund for the stated period, including interest expense and issuance costs, if applicable, and is expressed as an annualized percentage of the average Net Asset Value of the period. Please see the “Expense Ratio” section following this table for further discussion of the calculation.

⁽³⁾ The trading expense ratio represents total commissions expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average Net Asset Value of the Fund during the period.

⁽⁴⁾ The Fund’s portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund’s Portfolio Manager manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the year. The higher the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the year and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of the Fund. Portfolio turnover rate is calculated by dividing the lesser of the cost of purchases and the proceeds of sales of portfolio securities for the period, excluding cash and short-term investments maturing in less than one year, by the average market value of investments during the period.

⁽⁵⁾ Information needed to calculate the base management expense ratio prior to 2013 is not available.

Ratios and Supplemental Data (Based on Net Asset Value) (continued)**Series I**

As at December 31	2015 CAD	2014 CAD	2013 CAD	2012 CAD	2011 CAD
Net Asset Value (in 000s)	\$ 16,673	\$ 34,878	21,366	\$ 5,574	\$ 935
Number of units outstanding (in 000s)	1,246	2,496	1,578	484	93
Base management expense ratio ⁽¹⁾⁽⁵⁾	0.26%	0.22%	0.38%	—	—
Management expense ratio (“MER”) ⁽²⁾	0.29%	0.24%	0.41%	0.56%	1.28%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions	0.29%	0.24%	0.41%	0.56%	1.28%
Trading expense ratio ⁽³⁾	0.26%	0.16%	0.16%	0.21%	0.51%
Portfolio turnover rate ⁽⁴⁾	201.78%	134.09%	139.41%	190.87%	437.49%
Net Asset Value per unit	\$ 13.38	\$ 13.97	13.54	\$ 11.52	\$ 10.10

Series UA

As at December 31	2015 USD	2014 USD
Net Asset Value (in 000s)	\$ 295	\$ 397
Number of units outstanding (in 000s)	33	41
Base management expense ratio ⁽¹⁾	2.27%	2.18%
Management expense ratio (“MER”) ⁽²⁾	2.48%	2.42%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions	2.48%	2.42%
Trading expense ratio ⁽³⁾	0.26%	0.16%
Portfolio turnover rate ⁽⁴⁾	201.78%	134.09%
Net Asset Value per unit	\$ 8.89	\$ 9.69

Series UF

As at December 31	2015 USD	2014 USD
Net Asset Value (in 000s)	\$ 48	\$ 278
Number of units outstanding (in 000s)	5	29
Base management expense ratio ⁽¹⁾	1.22%	1.21%
Management expense ratio (“MER”) ⁽²⁾	1.35%	1.36%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions	1.35%	1.36%
Trading expense ratio ⁽³⁾	0.26%	0.16%
Portfolio turnover rate ⁽⁴⁾	201.78%	134.09%
Net Asset Value per unit	\$ 8.84	\$ 9.53

⁽¹⁾ A separate base management expense ratio is presented to exclude the HST.

⁽²⁾ MER is based on the requirements of NI 81-106 and Ies the total expenses (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) of the Fund for the stated period, including interest expense and issuance costs, if applicable, and is expressed as an annualized percentage of the average Net Asset Value of the period. Please see the “Expense Ratio” section following this table for further discussion of the calculation.

⁽³⁾ The trading expense ratio represents total commissions expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average Net Asset Value of the Fund during the period.

⁽⁴⁾ The Fund’s portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund’s Portfolio Manager manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the year. The higher the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the year and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of the Fund. Portfolio turnover rate is calculated by dividing the lesser of the cost of purchases and the proceeds of sales of portfolio securities for the period, excluding cash and short-term investments maturing in less than one year, by the average market value of investments during the period.

⁽⁵⁾ Information needed to calculate the base management expense ratio prior to 2013 is not available.

Expense Ratio

For the year ended December 31, 2015, the base management expense ratio, which excludes HST, was 1.01% for Series X (0.96% at December 31, 2014), 2.26% for Series A (2.08% at December 31, 2014), 1.27% for Series F (1.10% at December 31, 2014), 0.26% for Series I (0.22% at December 31, 2014), 2.27% for Series UA (2.18% at December 31, 2014) and 1.22% for Series UF (1.21% at December 31, 2014).

The MER of the Fund for the year ended December 31, 2015 was 1.13% for Series X (1.07% at December 31, 2014), 2.49% for Series A (2.32% at December 31, 2014), 1.39% for Series F (1.22% at December 31, 2014), 0.29% for Series I (0.24% at December 31, 2014), 2.48% for Series UA (2.42% at December 31, 2014) and 1.35% for Series UF (1.36% at December 31, 2014).

The MER before waivers and absorptions for the year ended December 31, 2015 was 1.13% for Series X (1.07% at December 31, 2014), 2.49% for Series A (2.35% at December 31, 2014), 1.39% per Series F (1.22% at December 31, 2014), 0.29% for Series I (0.24% at December 31, 2014), 2.48% for Series UA (2.42% at December 31, 2014) and 1.35% for Series UF (1.36% at December 31, 2014).

PAST PERFORMANCE

Year-by-Year Returns

The following charts show the past performance of the Fund. Past performance does not necessarily indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. The information shown is based on Net Asset Value per unit and assumes that distributions made by the Fund on its units in the periods shown were reinvested at Net Asset Value per unit in additional units of the Fund.

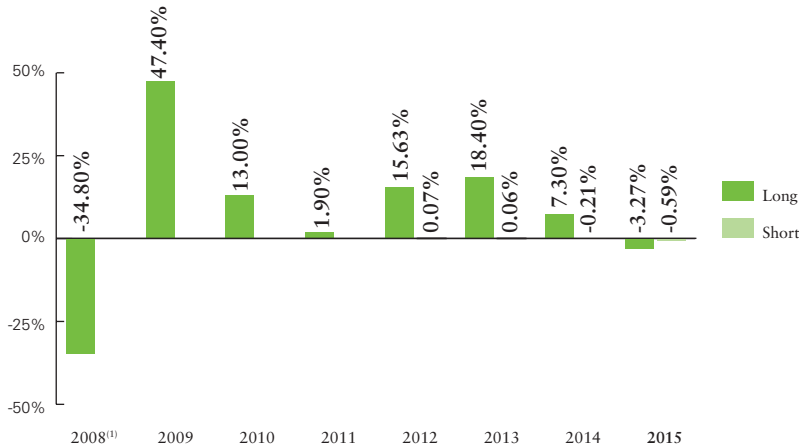
The bar charts show the Fund's return in each year/period since inception to December 31, 2015. The chart shows, in percentage terms, how an investment held on the first day of each fiscal period would have changed by the last day of the fiscal period.

Series X



⁽¹⁾ Period from September 19, 2005 (commencement of operations of the Fund) to December 31, 2005. Returns for Series X units in 2005 reflect inception costs for the Fund of \$4.9 million.

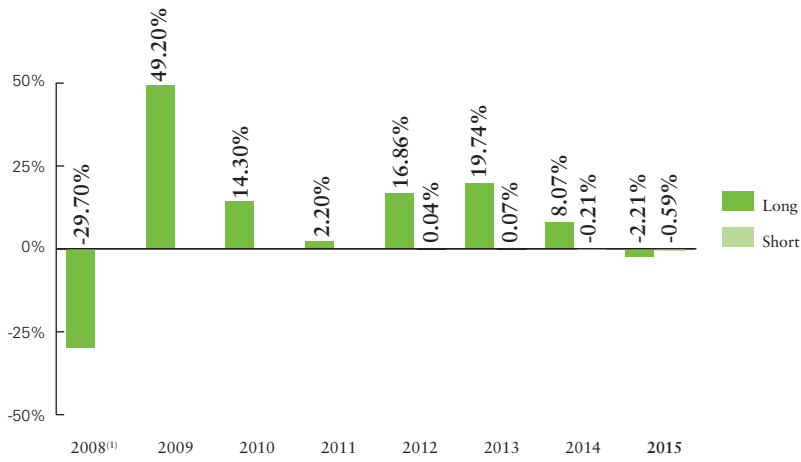
Series A



⁽¹⁾ Period from February 4, 2008 (commencement of operations of Series A) to December 31, 2008.

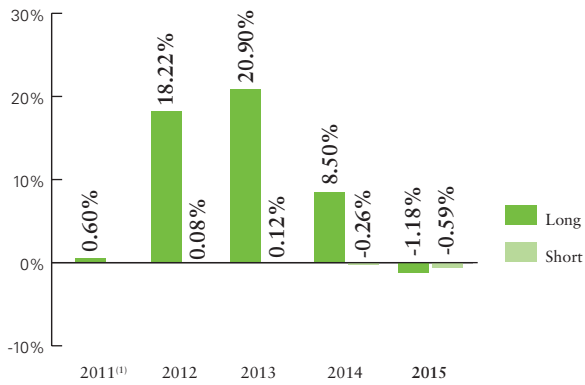
Year-by-Year Returns (continued)

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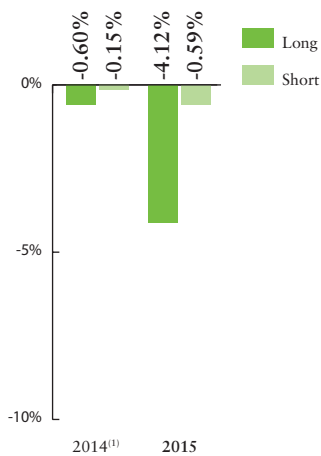
⁽¹⁾ Period from August 11, 2008 (commencement of operations of Series F) to December 31, 2008.

Series I



⁽¹⁾ Period from December 8, 2011 (inception of Series I) to December 31, 2011.

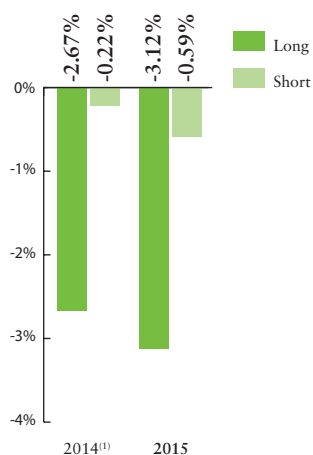
Series UA



⁽¹⁾ Period from May 5, 2014 (inception of Series UA) to December 31, 2014.

Year-by-Year Returns (continued)

Series UF



⁽¹⁾ Period from July 15, 2014 (inception of Series UF) to December 31, 2014.

Annual Compound Returns

The following table shows the Fund's compound return per series for each period indicated compared with the Blended Benchmark. The Blended Benchmark is comprised one-third of the S&P/TSX Composite Index, one-third of the S&P 500 Index and one-third of the Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index.

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	% Since Inception
Aston Hill Growth & Income Fund – Series X	9.9%	10.6%	0.0%	-2.5%	3.8%
Blended Benchmark	-7.1%	5.5%	3.4%	9.4%	4.9%
Aston Hill Growth & Income Fund – Series A	-3.9%	5.6%	6.9%	12.8%	5.4%
Blended Benchmark	-7.1%	5.5%	3.4%		3.4%
Aston Hill Growth & Income Fund – Series F	-2.8%	6.8%	7.9%	13.9%	7.8%
Blended Benchmark	-7.1%	5.5%	3.4%		3.6%
Aston Hill Growth & Income Fund – Series I	-1.8%	6.8%			10.5%
Blended Benchmark	-7.1%	5.5%			6.3%
Aston Hill Growth & Income Fund – Series UA	-4.7%				-3.3%
Blended Benchmark	-0.4%				-2.68%
Aston Hill Growth & Income Fund – Series UF	-3.7%				-4.5%
Blended Benchmark	-0.4%				-3.02%

SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

As at December 31, 2015

Sector Allocation	% of Net Asset Value
Financials	19.2%
Foreign Corporate Bonds	18.2%
Exchange-traded Funds	9.6%
Information Technology	9.2%
Consumer Discretionary	7.9%
Canadian Corporate Bonds	5.5%
Consumer Staples	5.5%
Industrials	4.2%
Energy	2.5%
Health Care	2.3%
Utilities	1.9%
Materials	1.6%
Telecommunication Services	1.0%
Foreign Currency Forward Contracts	(2.0%)
Option Contracts	(0.1%)
Cash	7.2%
Net Other Assets (Liabilities)	6.3%
Total	100.0%

Top 25 Holdings	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	% of Net Asset Value
Long Positions			
iShares iBoxx \$ Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF			8.1%
Cash			7.2%
Citigroup Inc.			3.0%
Walt Disney Co.			2.8%
Mastercard Inc.			2.6%
Cott Corp.			2.5%
Greektown Holdings LLC	8.875%	Mar/15/2019	2.3%
Brookfield Property Partners LP			2.3%
CVS Health Corp.			2.2%
Synchrony Financial			2.1%
Cisco Systems Inc.			2.1%
Hunt Cos Inc.	9.625%	Mar/01/2021	2.0%
Kissner Milling Company Ltd.	7.250%	Jun/01/2019	1.9%
Home Depot Inc.			1.9%
Carnival Corp.			1.8%
NXP Semiconductors NV			1.8%
VistaJet Malta Finance PLC	7.750%	Jun/01/2020	1.7%
XPO Logistics Inc.	6.500%	Jun/15/2022	1.7%
CEC Entertainment Inc.	8.000%	Feb/15/2022	1.7%
Canadian Apartment Properties REIT			1.7%
Builders FirstSource Inc.	10.750%	Aug/15/2023	1.7%
Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc.			1.7%
Ethoca Solutions Inc. ⁽¹⁾			1.6%
Lockheed Martin Corp.			1.6%
Dow Chemical Co.			1.6%
Total % of Long Positions			61.6%
Total Net Asset Value (“NAV”):			\$ 226,270,737

The investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the investment fund. Quarterly updates are available within 60 days of each quarter end.

PORTFOLIO MANAGER

Aston Hill Asset Management Inc.

Aston Hill Asset Management Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Aston Hill Financial Inc., a diversified asset management company with a suite of retail mutual funds, closed end funds, private equity funds, hedge funds and segregated institutional funds, and with \$2.67 billion in assets under management as at December 31, 2015. Aston Hill has offices in Toronto and Halifax.



PORTFOLIO MANAGER'S REPORT

2015 – Year in Review

The Aston Hill Growth & Income Fund, whilst performing reasonably well in the first 6 months of the year, struggled in the back half. The year-to-date total return of -4.3% outperformed the market but underperformed the portfolio managers' expectations. Some of the biggest challenges during the year that the portfolio managers had to navigate included continuing declines in energy markets, equity market volatility, high yield credit spreads widening out significantly, and unusual fluctuations in the foreign exchange markets. A summary of the Fund during the year includes:

- Underweight energy exposure for most of the year, although arguably the Fund should have been zero weight for the whole year.
- Reduced high yield bond exposure starting as early as August. Brought exposure down from 35% earlier in the year to approximately 20% by end of the year.
- Introduced investment grade bond exposure to have a more balanced approach to the fixed income side of the portfolio.
- Continued to overweight equity exposure over that of credit.
- Overall portfolio exposure to the US was greater than that in Canada, as we expected a continued recovery in the US.
- Reduced the number of overall positions in the portfolio to a more manageable and concentrated number of securities.
- Over-weighted certain industry groups, such as financials, technology and consumer sectors.
- Continued focus on dividend-paying equities which show a propensity to grow their dividends.
- Performance of the fund was negatively impacted by high yield credit spreads widening out to a greater degree than expected.

2016 – Outlook and Positioning

Given the volatility experienced in 2015 and the negative investor sentiment towards risk assets starting in 2016, one has to ask the question whether we are heading into a recession. The answer is not an easy one to definitively say “yes or no” – and is of course fraught with doubt and numerous contradictory arguments. That being said, however, the portfolio managers' are of the opinion that the economy is not heading into a recession in 2016. The economy is in the middle of a very long (and slow) economic expansion that should produce some volatile returns. Remember, many of the drivers of the bull market are coming to an end but this does not mean that the market can't continue going up. The new reality that we all have to get used to is more volatility – as witnessed really for the first time in a sustained manner in 2016. The business cycle is advancing: job growth is strong, wage growth is appearing, labour's share of GDP is increasing, and government spending is contributing to growth. On that last point, the US Federal budget deal passed into law prior to Christmas 2015 does not appear to be valued appropriately by the market. Some estimates have it adding significantly to GDP – and if the case would take the likelihood of a recession off the table. The bull market is maturing and as investors we have to recognize that gains will slow down (as they did in 2015).

In 2016 equities will outpace credit, but make no mistake about it: volatility will persist. Low inflation and (let's not forget) still easy monetary policy should allow equities to improve further, while credit will be challenged by higher yields and rising defaults. Investors should be paying attention to dividends and focus on those companies that are paying dividend yields in excess of government bond yields. By way of example, on Dec 29, 2015 the US 10 year Treasury yield was 2.32% and there were 210 stocks in the S&P 500 that had a dividend yield higher. At the end of the first week of 2016, the government bond yield compressed to 2.15% and there were 257 stocks with higher dividend yields.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the statements contained herein including, without limitation, financial and business prospects and financial outlook may be forward-looking statements which reflect management's expectations regarding future plans and intentions, growth, results of operations, performance and business prospects and opportunities. Words such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “could,” “anticipate,” “believe,” “expect,” “intend,” “plan,” “potential,” “continue” and similar expressions have been used to identify these forward-looking statements. These statements reflect management's current beliefs and are based on information currently available to management. Forward-looking statements involve significant risks and uncertainties. A number of factors could cause actual results to differ materially from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements including, but not limited to, changes in general economic and market conditions and other risk factors. Although the forward-looking statements contained herein are based on what management believes to be reasonable assumptions, we cannot assure that actual results will be consistent with these forward-looking statements. Investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date hereof and we assume no obligation to update or revise them to reflect new events or circumstances.

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